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Applicant: Iijima, Kazumi
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<AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION >

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Applicant hereby provides this paper in response to the Office Action mailed June

16, 2003. A petition for Extension of Time for two (2) months is also attached hereto.

Kindly amend the application as follows.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 3 of this paper.

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